

**Fair Political Practices Commission  
Memorandum**

**To:** Chairman Johnson, Commissioners Hodson, Huguenin, Leidigh, & Remy

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**Subject:** Work Plan Revisions for Third Quarter 2008

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Attached is the calendar reflecting proposed regulatory action for August and September 2008. There is no July meeting scheduled. We will provide the next update in September for the last quarter of the year.

August	September
<p><b>AB 1441: Legal Defense Accounts: Local Officers (A)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Committee Name (PN):</b></p> <p>(a) Consider requiring committee identification number in the committee name.</p> <p>(b) Amend Regulation 18402 to require, in addition to the candidate's name, the name of the office sought and year be included in the committee name.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Principal Officer (PN):</b> Define who is a "principal officer" of a committee under Section 84102(c) - for statement of organization</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Tickets to Non-profit Fundraisers (A):</b> Amend Regulation 18946.4 to make tickets to 501(c)(3) fundraisers reportable as gifts not subject to limits, or limit the number of tickets officials can receive free to two tickets.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Tickets to Government Agencies (18944.1) (A):</b> Amend Regulation 18944.1 the Commission will be asked to consider revisions to current gift regulations concerning free tickets and passes provided to government agencies.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Gifts from an Agency to Officials in the Agency. (18944.3) (A):</b> Adopt a regulation concerning an agency's gifts to its own officials.</p>	<p><b>Technical Clean-up Packet (A)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Order of Disclosure (PN):</b> In regard to the committee name requirement under Section 84504, the proposal would require the economic or special interests to be named in the order of amount of contributions with the highest contributors first.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Clarify Advertising Disclosure (PN):</b> For print/broadcast advertisements, clarify the print be in contrast to the background, among other changes to make the required disclosure more readable (see Section 84507).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Form 460 Content (PN):</b> Require candidates to disclose on each controlled committee statement a list of all of the other controlled committees of the candidate, each committees total receipts and expenditures during the period, and each committees ending cash on hand.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><b>Campaign Reporting for Government Agencies (PN):</b> Consider amendments to Commission regulations clarifying when a government agency's expenditure of public funds qualifies as a contribution or expenditure under the Act.</p>

Below is a summary of other regulatory proposals planned for 2008. Depending on urgency and workload, staff may propose additional major regulatory action for the Commission to consider for this year and bring minor regulatory proposals to the Commission for its consideration. Staff will modify the list of future regulatory proposals on a quarterly basis.

- Member Communications – Consider amending Regulation 18531.7 and adding other regulations to define scope of member communications rules in Government Code Section 85312.
- Gift Regulations – Consider amending various Commission regulations on gifts to bring them into greater conformity with the Political Reform Act.
- “Primarily Formed Committee” – Define, for purposes of Government Code Section 82047.5, when a committee “exists primarily” to support or oppose candidates and measures.
- Online Filing of 410: Regulation stating that online filers must file Statement of Organization/Form 410 online.
- State, County and City General Purpose Committees – Define when a general purpose committee is a state, county or city committee.
- Independent Expenditures – Consider new or amended regulations to address issues on independent expenditures discussed in the informational portion of the Commission’s February 2008 meeting.
- U.C. Hastings Regulation Project – Consider recommendations from the Center for State and Local Government Law at the University of California Hastings College of the Law on clarifying Commission regulations and bringing them into stylistic conformity.